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A GREAT MAN

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THE "NEWS" THE FIRST TO NAME HIM FOR GOVERNOR.

Hon. Austin L. Crothers, late governor of Maryland, died at 12.10 o'clock Saturday morning at the home of his nephew, Senator Omar D. Crothers in Elkton after several weeks' illness of Brights' disease of the kidneys.

For many months Mr. Crothers was a sick man, but never seemed fully to realize it until he was forced to take to his bed the latter part of April. Indeed, in all the four years of his administration he was not really a well man and those close about him have said that he never was the same man since he had typhoid fever prior to his election in 1907. He took the oath of office before he fully recovered from the effects of this long illness and from that time on he was under a tremendous nervous strain. Time and again during the four years of his strenuous administration he felt that he was not well, but he never seemed to realize that he might be suffering from some serious malady.

For fully a year while in office it was observed by those close to Mr. Crothers that he was in a serious condition, though he kept on his feet most of the time. His condition was not improved by the strenuous tasks he undertook and his fight with the Police Board of Baltimore city gave him more worry than anything that occured in his whole administration. His concern over this was doubtles due to the fact that he then had arrayed against himself many of his strongest political adherents. Dropping this bitter fight last May he plunged into the fight for the Democratic nomination for the governorship. At that time he was in no physical shape to make such a fight, but he did it, throwing all the remaining strength and energy behind Senator Blair Lee when he himself retired from the race. This was the most strenuous fight Mr. Crothers had ever engaged in and he was tireless in his campaigning, though he had devoted most of his time to important state business at that time. Following the defeat of Senator Lee, Mr. Crothers got in line and made speech after speech for Senator A. P. Gorman. He kept this up until the night before the last election, when he broke down physically and for many days afterward was confined to his room at the executive mansion at Annapolis.

Mr. Crothers during his last year of office acquired a good block of stock in the Elkton National Bank and when he returned to Elkton in January devoted his time to the banking duties, he being a director and its vice-president. The death of Mr. Crothers removes another of its most prominent men who had for years been identified with the progress and welfare of the town.

Sketch of His Life.

Austin Lane Crothers, was born near Conowingo, Cecil county, in the year 1860, was unmarried. He was the eighth son of Alpheus Crothers and Margaret A. Porter, who lived on a farm of 150 acres. Mr. Crothers, coming from sturdy stock, attained large proportions, standing nearly six feet and built proportionately large without impressing his casual acquaintance as being stout. As a boy he evinced keen desire for study, and at public schools and West Nottingham Academy, where he received a greater part of his education, he laid the foundation then for his future successful line. After completing his studies he taught school in the county for a time, but soon found that the quiet humdrum of the school room was not at all fited to his ideas of life.

Following a natural inclination he took up the study of law in the office of his brother, the late Charles Carroll Crothers in Elkton, and, afterwards finished his course at the University of Maryland, where he graduated in 1890 with high honors and returning to Elkton was admitted to the Cecil bar.. He was elected States Attorney in the year of 1891, and served out his term of four years. In 1894 he was appointed counsel to the board of commissioners for Cecil county resigning the position when he was elected State Senator in 1897 to succeed his brother, the late Charles C. Crothers. He immediately became the Democratic party leader in that body. He was appointed chairman of the committee of finance, and while holding this position he made an impression upon state officials which has never been forgotten. Mr. Crothers was conservative and cautious, but at the same time so logical in his rulings of the committee that his course in every matter was followed with acclaim. He showed a tendency to guard the outlay of the people's money, and in his administration saved the state thousands of dollars that might have been expended on wild cat legislature schemes.

In 1892 he ran again for the State Senate, but was defeated, as was also the case four years later, his defeat being due to bitter factional differences in the county. In March 28, 1906, Governor Warfield appointed him associate judge of the Second Judicial Circuit to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Edward H. Brown, of Centreville. The appointment was accepted by Democrats as being a proper move on the part of Governor Warfield. Judge Crothers remained on the bench serving with ability until his nomination for governor in 1907. His opponent on the Republican ticket being George R. Gaither of Baltimore. While in the midst of his campaign Mr. Crothers was stricken with typhoid fever and as election day was approaching his condition became critical. Two weeks before the voters were called to the polls the Democrats throughout the state who had been at loggerheads buried their hatchet, united and elected Austin L. Crothers governor of Maryland, by a good majority. In January, 1908, he took the oath of office and from the day of his inauguration until the expiration of his term of four years he devoted his entire time to the duties of the office. He was one of the best governors Maryland ever had, he sought to perform his arduous duties conscientiously, a man of positive convictions, he was never afraid to take the stand what he considered right and had the courage of his convictions, under all circumstances. He had the deepest affection for all her people, her institutions and her Maryland and the greatest faith in future.

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